

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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Application No.: 10/555,669

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Art Unit: N/A

For: ANTI-CANCER DNA VACCINE EMPLOYING
PLASMIDS ENCODING SIGNAL SEQUENCE,
MUTANT ONCO-PROTEIN ANTIGEN, AND
HEAT SHOCK PROTEIN

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

STATUS INQUIRY REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the status of the above-identified application. Applicant's filed a renewed petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment on June 24, 2008. A decision granting Applicant's renewed petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 to vacate the holding of abandonment was filed on November 17, 2008 and set a two-month time limit within which to file a proper response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on September 19, 2006. Specifically, the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on September 19, 2006 indicated that the declaration of inventors mailed on March 22, 2007 was not in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.497(a)-(b) in that an Application Data Sheet (ADS) was required for the declaration submitted.

In response, Applicants timely filed a Supplemental Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) and Response to Decision to Applicants' Renewed Petition to Withdraw the Holding of

Abandonment, submitting executed Declaration and Power of Attorney forms, as well as a Supplemental Application Data Sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.497, on December 5, 2008. Applicants also filed a Second Preliminary Amendment, submitting amendments to the claims prior to examination on the merits, on December 23, 2008. Applicants have not received any further communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that Applicants be informed of the status of this application. Applicants further request information as to when an Office Action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office should be expected to be received.

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Respectfully submitted,

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